

FROM WASHINGTON.

[Correspondence of the Alexandria Gazette.]
WASHINGTON, Aug. 24, 1894.

Mr. Wilson, the chairman of the House ways and means committee, has decided to leave for Europe, September 5th, and remain absent about 3 weeks. Mr. Wilson believes that a revival of business will now speedily begin. He said this morning that the business of the country will improve within the next few months and that this result would follow even though the McKinley law were in force. Under the new tariff system the improvement, in his judgment, will be more marked. He does not look for a "boom" but thinks the revival will be slow but sure.

The case of the colored Recorder of the District of Columbia, C. H. J. Taylor, who has been charged before the civil service commission with sending circulars to colored employees of the government, soliciting contributions for campaign purposes, was laid before President Cleveland this afternoon by Civil Service Commissioner Proctor, who has charge of the matter. Besides Taylor, twenty-five witnesses were examined. Some of the witnesses were at first afraid to testify, fearing they would lose their positions if they did so. The commission could not guarantee to the men that they would not be discharged from their government positions if they made statements affecting Taylor, because it had no power to do so, but they were informed that the commission would exert its influence to prevent the dismissal of any employee who appeared before it as a witness.

Secretary Carlisle this evening appointed Miss Martha C. Grymes, of King George county, Va., assistant keeper of the light house at Matthis Point, Potomac river.

At Liberty Mill, Orange county, Va., J. B. Kite was appointed postmaster to-day, vice W. H. Kite, dead.

Among the visitors here to-day is Collector Sheppard, of the upper district of Virginia. He says nearly all the whisky in the bonded warehouses in his district has been drawn out since the passage of the tariff bill, and that his receipts therefrom have been about twenty thousand dollars a day.

Mr. Ellett, the democratic nominee for Congress in the Richmond district, was in the city to-day, looking after his supply of campaign documents.

Congressman Cooper of Indiana, who exposed the fraudulent transactions of Mr. Raum, the republican commissioner of pensions, and Mr. Meredith of Virginia, will speak at Luray, in that State, at the congressional convention to be held there on the 30th inst., at which Congressman Turner will be renominated without opposition.

Internal revenue receipts continue to be heavy, reaching to-day \$2,105,000, and bringing up the total for the month to date, to \$21,200,000, and for the year to date, to \$48,100,000, against \$3,500,000 for the corresponding period of August, 1893, and to \$24,300,000 for the corresponding period of the fiscal year 1893.

All the Virginia members of the House present to-day endorsed the application of Rev. Benjamin Dennis, of Amelia county, Virginia, a graduate of the Alexandria Theological Seminary, for a chaplainship in the army.

Among the bills approved by the President to-day were the following: To incorporate the Washington and Great Falls electric railway; to authorize the Washington Alexandria and Mt. Vernon electric railway, which runs to Washington's home, to extend its line into the District of Columbia; to empower four-class postmasters to administer oaths to pensioners; to authorize the commissioners of the District of Columbia to appoint a deputy coroner, and to provide for reconveyance by the district commissioners of certain lands to Andrew J. and Mary E. Curtis.

Another effort was made in the House to-day, also unsuccessful, to consider the Hill bill for the exclusion and deportation of alien anarchists. An amendment had been agreed upon by the advocates of the measure and those members who had previously antagonized it, defining an anarchist to be a person who advocates the destruction by force of all government or of the government of the United States. This a tiffed the objections heretofore made, but Mr. English entered an objection, because one of his private bills had been objected to, and the bill again went over—this time probably finally for this session.

Among the bills passed by the Senate in executive session to-day were the following:

House bill to provide for the collection of internal revenue—appropriating \$9,000 for additional force, and House bill granting the right of way through the Arlington reservation for electric railway purposes.

The Senate in executive session to-day confirmed, among others, the following nominations: Alexander Porter Morse, of the District of Columbia, agent of the United States before the commission to arbitrate the claim of the Venezuelan Steam Transportation Company against the government of Venezuela; Robert J. MacBride, of Wisconsin, consul at Leith, Scotland. The latter place is that for which Congressman Jones was urging Dr. Foster and Senator Hutton had at one time pressed Mr. Cawley of this city.

The nomination of J. D. Porter for U. S. Judge of the eastern and middle districts of Tennessee, was not taken up as no quorum was present, and nothing could be done without unanimous consent.

NEWS OF THE DAY.

The Brotherhood of St. Andrew is making preparations for the forthcoming grand meeting of that body in Washington.

The condition of Congressman Geo. B. Shaw, of Eau Claire, Wis., is very critical. It is feared he will not live through the night.

New York city will raise by taxation to defray the municipal expenses of the year \$35,059,025, which is \$636,336 more than was raised last year.

The United States is now shipping to England carpets of the value of nearly \$500,000 annually of the famous Axminster, supposed heretofore to be produced in perfection only in England.

Members of the executive board of the knights of labor have been in Washington canvassing members of the House of Representatives to learn how they can be depended upon to vote for an arbitration measure.

The republicans of the Eighth North Carolina congressional district met at Wilkesboro yesterday and nominated R. Z. Linney, of Alexander county, for Congress. It only required one ballot to nominate. The populists in convention at the same place Wednesday endorsed Linney for Congress.

At a popular meeting held at Homestead Pa., last night, General Frye, late leader of the Commune, was the speaker. He predicted a march of a million men to Washington, who, he

said, if Congress fails to legislate as they wish, will turn Congress out and organize a provisional government.

News reached Baton Rouge, La., yesterday of a distressing accident near that place, which resulted in the death of three estimable young ladies, Miss Mary Lee Read, Miss Belle Chambers and Miss Eleanor Garland. The young ladies were bathing in the Amite river, when one of their number got beyond their depth. She screamed and the other two went to her assistance, and all three were drowned.

The body of an unknown woman was found on the lake shore of Minnesota Point, Duluth, Wednesday. It was partially buried. A fractured skull, marks of violence on the hands and neck indicate murder. The body was that of a woman about thirty-two years old, of light complexion and apparently of good station. Her dress and underclothing were new, of good quality and unmarked. Death was caused by the wound on the skull.

At a meeting in Washington last night of the committee having in charge the reception and entertainment of the delegates to the southern development convention to meet at Willard's Hall Thursday and Friday next, Manager Colquhoun and railroad men of the South accepting invitations to be present. Among the acceptances was one from ex-Gov. Fitzhugh Lee, of Virginia. The finance committee made a gratifying report.

General Antonio Ezeta and his fellow refugees are prisoners at last in San Francisco by authority of the United States District Court. The warrants of arrest were served yesterday afternoon. Early in the morning the local officers received notification that the differences between the Navy Department and the Department of Justice had been compromised, at least in a measure, and that the naval authorities of Mare Island would permit the United States marshal to serve the warrants.

A Leap from a Tower.

As has been stated, Col. J. M. Winstead, president of the Piedmont and People's Bank, of Greensboro, N. C., committed suicide in Richmond yesterday morning in sight of hundreds of people and in a deliberate way. He was a nice-looking old gentleman of about seventy. He went to the balcony of the City Hall, threw away his hat and cane, took off his shoes and threw them before him, and jumped to the street below. He fell with terrific force through the air, head downward, until he had reached about the second story, when his body doubled up like a ball, and the next moment was quivering on the sharp points of the iron rails which guard the area. The head and body hung downward inside the iron fence and over the mouth of the area. It was suspended from one of the sharp spears which had caught the left leg just at the hip joint as the body fell, face downward, and the force of the fall had torn it entirely out of its socket. This hung over the railing next the sidewalk. In removing the remains from the fence, the limb was separated from the trunk. He fell a hundred and seventy feet. He had asked the way to the high tower, and was calm in his demeanor, looking like a clergyman. Letters found in his pocket indicated his identity. He registered at the hotel Wednesday night. There is no clue to the cause of his deed. He had a dollar and twenty-five cents in his pocket. One unmailed letter to his brother said, "My land company business is worrying me a little, but we are likely to get it in better shape."

Col. Winstead was a native of Pearson county, N. C., and was about seventy years of age. Under the Grant administration his brother, Col. C. S. Winstead, was collector of internal revenue for Greensboro district, and became president of the Piedmont and the People's bank, of Greensboro, which position he held at the time of his death. People who knew him represented him as a man of stainless character. He leaves a widow. His brother, Col. Charles S. Winstead, of Roxboro, is a very wealthy man, and is rated from \$250,000 to \$500,000.

MILL HANDS LOCKED OUT.—The great textile strike at Fall River, Mass., developed yesterday into a lockout, and 25,000 mill operatives in that city will be idle. Notices were posted in the mills that every mill operated by members of the Manufacturers' Association will shut down indefinitely. These mills include every establishment engaged in the manufacture of print cloth, and the shutdown throws 22,645 men and women out of employment. There are at present about 2,500 who have voluntarily quit work, which swells the total to about 25,000 idle operatives.

The decision to close was reached by the manufacturers Wednesday, and is the result of an agreement to close the mills at any time that three-fourths of the looms were silent for any cause. This was true Wednesday, and yesterday's notice resulted.

The shutdown will leave a total of 3,275 employees at work in the Barnaby Manufacturing Company, Fall River Iron Works, Connecticut and Seacoast mills. These establishments are engaged in the manufacture of goods that do not come under the manufacturers' agreement.

It is announced that the Tremont and Suffolk mills, at Lowell, will open in all departments next Monday morning and give employment to 2,300 persons. They have been closed since July 3.

Four hundred weavers in the China mills, at Suncook, N. H., did not go to work yesterday because of a reduction in wages equal to the cut down in the Fall River mills. Notices of a reduction have been posted in the Webster and Pembroke mills also. The weavers, who are nearly all French, are not members of a union, but will probably organize now.

At Hagerstown, Md., last night Geo. W. Reeder, a miller, was caught by his arm as he was attempting to adjust a pulley and was drawn up between the revolving pulleys and crushed and stripped of arms and legs, by the machinery. Reeder's body was mangled almost beyond semblance to a human form.

At 12:30 o'clock this noon an explosion of gas took place in the workings of the Philadelphia and Reading Coal and Iron Co.'s colliery at Gilberton, Pa., and twelve men were buried in the mine.

VIRGINIA NEWS.

A camp of Confederate veterans has been organized at Williamsburg.

The Loudoun county fair at Leesburg closed yesterday. It was a financial success.

An unknown colored woman was run over by a train near Manassas Wednesday and killed.

The new Catholic church at Covington was dedicated Sunday last by Bishop Van de Vyver.

The delegates from Clarke county to the democratic congressional convention at Luray favor the renomination of the present representative, Mr. S. S. Turner.

Hon. C. A. Swanson, the present democratic Congressman from the 5th Virginia district, was renominated at Stuart, Patrick county, yesterday by acclamation.

The coal trade at Newport News still continues to increase at a very rapid rate, and it is thought that the amount handled this month will exceed any month since the Chesapeake and Ohio built its piers there.

Charles Fletcher, a sixteen-year-old negro boy, and Henry Carpenter, aged twenty, also colored, had a difficulty Sunday at Iron Gate, which culminated last night in Fletcher stealing up behind Carpenter and striking him on the back of the head with a club, from the effects of which he died one hour later. Fletcher was arrested and lodged in jail.

The State conventions of the prohibitionist and the populist parties met at Lynchburg yesterday. The question of a possible union of the two parties for the coming campaign was settled in the negative. The platform proposed by the prohibitionists was rejected by the populists, and a counter proposition from the populists was rejected by the prohibitionists. The prohibitionists resolved to nominate candidates for Congress in all the districts. It is understood that the populists will do likewise, though no formal resolution to that effect was passed. Rev. Sam Small, prohibitionist, addressed a big meeting in the afternoon, and Senator Peller talked to another big one at night. J. Haskins Hobson was re-elected chairman of the populist State central committee.

FOREIGN NEWS.

A dispatch from Shanghai says that the Japanese minister to Corea has been killed by his own countrymen.

A mob of Cossacks in a Russian village, recently attacked the cattle inspectors, and a company of cavalry charged the rioters, wounding a number of them.

At the Velodrome Buffalo, Paris, yesterday the quarter-mile bicycle race for professional riders was won by the American, Banker. Wheeler, also an American, finished second. There were 15 competitors.

Baron Mundy, well known as the founder of the Salvage Society, has committed suicide in Vienna by shooting himself with a revolver. His body was found under the Danube bridge. He was undoubtedly insane.

The yacht Saxon has arrived at Peterhead, and reports that she landed Professor Aubrey Botvye, the ornithologist, at Kolkeby Island, a hundred miles from the Russian coast, but was obliged to abandon him on account of the heavy ice.

A nocturnal search by the police of Italy of anarchist clubs and residences in several small towns near Ravenna, Italy, resulted in the seizure of large quantities of arms, ammunition, flags and papers. Several anarchists were arrested.

The Journal des Debats asserts that King Humbert, of Italy, will create the viceroys of Sicily and will make the prince of Naples a viceroy. It says the news of the King's intention is favorably received in Italy as a happy solution of the problem of Sicilian dissatisfaction.

In connection with the coal strike, serious rioting has occurred near Glasgow, and several pits have been wrecked by disorderly mobs. Donaldson, the leader of the striking miners, and five other persons, who have been prominent during the strike, have been arrested.

It is stated in London that the French government will not permit Sir Charles Dilke to make the tour of France's eastern frontier fortresses, which he was said to have planned for the parliamentary recess. The French press protests against allowing foreigners to pry into French arsenals and forts.

Advices received at Colon from Bluefields, Mosquito territory, say that the Nicaraguans continue their barbarities toward foreigners. It is reported that imprisonments and murders are so frequent that the inhabitants are fleeing in all directions. More troops are arriving at Bluefields for Greytown.

The Pope's denunciation of Zola's "Lourdes" in his letter to Monsignor Ricard has stirred Catholic circles in France deeply. It is supposed to indicate that the Pope makes belief in Lourdes miracles a dogma. Previously there had been no clear declaration on this subject. Zola is reveling in the advertising which the papal letter has given him, and is giving interviews to reporters concerning his next book. The title, he says, will be "Rome." He will make a long visit in Rome before undertaking the work, and will seek an audience with the Pope. He says he was quite sincere in writing his novel on Lourdes, and recorded only what he believed to be the truth.

AN OLD VIRGINIAN DEAD.—Henry T. Shearer, a well-known and highly esteemed citizen of Millwood, Va., died Wednesday at the ripe age of 83 years. He was born in New Market, Va., where he continued to live until the year 1854, when he went to Millwood, where he has lived ever since, following his occupation, that of tailor, up until about ten years ago, when he retired from active business on account of age and ill health. He was an active and consistent member of the M. E. Church South during the last forty years of his life. In politics he was an old line democrat, and when younger was an active worker in his party. He married a Miss Roediff, of Shenandoah county, an aunt of Mr. James Roediff, the present postmaster at Woodstock, Va.

Important Facts.

If you have dull and heavy pains across the forehead and about the eyes; if the nostrils are frequently stopped up and followed by a disagreeable discharge; if soreness in the nose and bleeding from the nostrils is often experienced; if your are very sensitive to cold in the head accompanied with headache; then you may be sure you have catarrh, and should (immediately) resort to Ely's Cream Balm for a cure. The remedy will give instant relief.

Foreign News.
LONDON, Aug. 24.—Advices from Shanghai are to the effect that a serious battle is expected to soon occur between the Chinese and Japanese forces.

LONDON, Aug. 24.—Ernest Haasberger, the Dundee jute merchant who was arrested about a month ago on charges of having forged bills for £80,000 on Scotch banks and for £20,000 on continental banks, was arraigned for trial to-day. When called upon to plead, the prisoner admitted that he

TO-DAY'S TELEGRAPHIC NEWS.

The Strike in Massachusetts.
NEW BEDFORD, Mass., Aug. 24.—The fifth day of New Bedford's great industrial battle opened with much less of change in the condition and outlook than many had hoped. The rumors that the Bennett and Columbian mills are to open their gates on Monday, to allow such of their employees as desire to return to their work at the reduction, are confirmed. There are many who find encouragement in the belief that a spirit of hot-blooded contention is slowly giving way to a recognition on all sides that the crisis is one which demands earnest and temperate consideration. The results of the conference of last evening were, no doubt, far short of the expectations of the more sanguine, but it certainly accomplished something in the direction of conciliation, and may set in motion a train of circumstances which will lead up to a settlement of the difficulty in which the rights of the parties at issue will be recognized and conserved.

SUNCOOK, N. H., Aug. 24.—The strike at the mills here has spread somewhat, and it is expected will further extend. A labor agitator from Fall River arrived here yesterday and it is stated that he was the cause of nearly 100 spinners of the China mill coming out at 1 o'clock. The spinners in the Webster also struck, as did three-fourths of the weavers in the Webster and about one half of those in the Pembroke. A large number of others did not go into the strike. There has been no disturbance as yet.

Taking Ingersoll's Advice.
NEW YORK, Aug. 24.—Willie D. Day, the champion runner of the world, committed suicide early this morning by hanging himself from a tree near the clubhouse of the New Jersey Athletic Club at Bergen Point. He had been accused of withholding \$112 belonging to a laundry.

TOLEDO, O., Aug. 24.—Mathias Hartman, a 35-year-old pioneer of this city, committed suicide last night by hanging himself with his suspenders while locked up in a cell in the police station. Hartman was arrested for shooting at his wife, whom he married a year ago, and with whom he has frequently quarreled about money.

KANSAS CITY, Aug. 24.—Henry S. Pearson, formerly manager of the Piano Manufacturing Co. of this city, and part proprietor of the Terral Hardware Co., at Ryan, I. T., committed suicide last night by shooting. He left several letters stating there was nothing in life for him. He had been short in his accounts with the piano company, but to what extent is not known.

PERRY, O. T., Aug. 24.—John R. Ruthborn, lieutenant of a company of United States soldiers located near this city, committed suicide by shooting himself with a pistol. No cause is assigned for the shooting. He was conversing with a party of soldiers, and, without warning, pulled a gun and shot himself.

To Develop Southern Resources.
WASHINGTON, Aug. 24.—A practical attempt to develop the resources of the South will be initiated in Washington on Thursday, Aug. 30. Its basis is a convention of southern business men which will begin on that day and which is supplemental to the meeting of Governors of southern States in Richmond last year. Several of the executives who attended that meeting will be present at the convention, and scores of the most prominent men will lend their cooperation to make the affair a success. The programme will include addresses on the necessity for a public building in Washington for a permanent exhibit of the resources of all the States; a consideration of the timber resources of the South; the mineral and agricultural resources of the South; transportation facilities; immigration, trade and manufactures and good roads. Senator Patrick Walsh, Gov. Elias Carr, of North Carolina, Interstate Commerce Commissioner Clements, and other prominent southerners will deliver addresses.

Preparations for the Pythians.
WASHINGTON, Aug. 24.—Washington expects to entertain a hundred thousand visitors next week during the encampment of the Knights of Pythias. Already people from other places are beginning to arrive. Cut rates on excursion tickets to enable the knights and their friends to attend the great celebration went into effect Wednesday and it is reported that thousands have taken advantage of the opportunity to visit Washington. Everything points to a successful encampment. Citizens have contributed liberally and hotels and boarding houses have cooperated with the committees of arrangement in making reasonable rates. Nearly every business house along the line of march has been decorated and the city presents a gala appearance, strongly reminiscent of inauguration time. On the grounds of the Washington monument 1,700 tents have been erected and in these the members of the uniformed commands will sleep and eat.

Death of a Minister.
SOUTH NORWALK, Conn., Aug. 24.—Rev. S. B. S. Bissell died in this city yesterday afternoon aged 82. Mr. Bissell was the eldest son of the late Judge and Governor Bissell and was born in Westport. He graduated with high honors from Yale in the class of 1830, studied law for a short time in his father's office, but abandoned it to enter Princeton University school, from which he was graduated, and then went to Virginia, where his first congregation was composed largely of slaves.

The Futurity Stakes.
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was guilty of forgeries aggregating \$112,000. Sentence was postponed.

PALERMO CITY, Aug. 24.—A fresh earthquake shock was experienced yesterday at Santa Catharina. People fled in terror to the fields.

Withdraws His Name.
COLUMBIA, S. C., Aug. 24.—Dr. Sampson Pope, a Tillmanite candidate for Governor from Newberry county, has given out a letter announcing his withdrawal from the race. When the campaign opened three months ago, Pope advised Tillmanites to vote for governor in the democratic primaries, and in this way it is presumed he wishes them to avoid committing themselves to their nominees. The air is full of rumors that a candidate may run as an independent against Evans in the general election in November.

Dr. Pope has been one of the most extreme and uncompromising Tillmanites and Ocalites. It is now said that he is in an ugly mood toward the Governor and refuses to go to his house. The anti-Tillman faction of the State is totally demoralized. In several counties it is certain that independent candidates for the Legislature will be run.

Attempted Assault.
CAMDEN, N. J., Aug. 24.—Another felonious assault by a brutal negro upon a white woman occurred in Merchantville early this morning. Mrs. Torrey, wife of Mr. Torrey, deceased, late cashier of the Philadelphia National Bank, was aroused at 5 o'clock this morning and found a black man lying on the bed beside her and her mother, with whom she was sleeping. The brute attempted to assault Mrs. Torrey, who, with her mother, fought him off until her son, who was in an adjoining room, came to her rescue, when the black villain made good his escape. Lust, not robbery, was evidently the motive of the black man's entry into the house. A general hunt is being made for the assailant, and he is likely to be caught.

Fires.
MCKEESPORT, Pa., Aug. 24.—An alarming conflagration visited Dravosburg, a suburb of this city, about one o'clock this morning. Six buildings and a large frame stable were burned to ashes. There was no means of coping with the fire, and the flames had all their own way with the houses which stood together. The total damage is estimated close on \$30,000. No one was injured. The saloon of Fred Winklevoss, at Curry's Hollow, about one mile distant, was also burned this morning. Suspicions are aroused that incendiaries are at work.

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